

## MAKE YOUR OWN ROMAN COIN HOARD

In 1933, workmen in Falkirk found a pottery jar with nearly 2,000 Roman coins hidden inside. A piece of cloth was stuffed in the neck of the jar to stop the coins falling out. This cloth is the earliest example of tartan ever found. The coins were probably given to a native family over many years, as a bribe from the Romans. Maybe the family forgot where they were hidden or died before they could dig them up again?

- A)** Make your own hoard. Print the template (with lots of coins on it) onto thin card. Cut them out. If you want to be really rich, why not print and cut out two sets of coins! Then take some air-drying clay and make a simple pot, big enough to take all your coins. Let it dry, then store your coins inside.
- B)** With your friends, take turns at being the Roman or the native – how much are you going to spend / save today? Can you make up a little play to explain why the money was hidden and never recovered?
- C)** Design your own tartan. In the space below, draw a design for your own tartan.

# COIN TEMPLATE

